"Pioneer" dated 17th February, 1995, 22nd March, 1995, and 1st May, 1995 respectively;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the reaction of Government to each of the points?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M. V. CHANDRASHEKARA MURTHY): (a) to (c) As per the latest information available with the Central Statistical Organisation the gross domestic savings rose by 12.7 per cent from Rs. 140635 crore in 1992-93 to Rs. 158493 crore in 1993-94. As regards, small savings collections (net) these showed an increase of 59 per cent from Rs. 5717 crores in 1992-93 to Rs. 9091 crore in 1993-94. Further more available trends indicate an unprecedented rise in small savings collections during 1994-95. Small savings (net) at Rs. 13019 crore during April-February 1994-95 has shown almost two fold increase over the same period of 1993-94. Concomitantly, the rate of growth in Gross Domestic product at factor cost at 1980 81 prices rose from 4.3 per cent in 1992-93 to 5.3 per cent in 1994-95. The various economic reforms measures undertaken so far include reforms in the capital market, reduction in personal and corporate taxation, raising of the savings incentive under section 80 L to Rs. 13,000 and upward adjustment in the interest rate ceiling on term domestic are expected to have a favourable impact on the financial/ aggregate savings. Besides, savings schemes are under constant review and steps taken to improve the collection whenever considered necessary.

Non-performing assets of nationalised banks

7779. PROF. VIJAY KUMAR MALHOTRA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that non-performing assets of large number of nationalised banks in March, 1994 stood at Rupees 19,676.04 crores in domestic operations and Rs. 4,0.5.11 crores in overseas operations;

(b) if so, the reaction of his Ministry thereto; and

(c) whether the banks have started writing off loans and entering into compromises; and

(d) if so, the total amount of money that has been written off by the banks during 1993, 1994 and uptil now in 1995 with reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M. V. CHANDRASHEKARA MURTHY): (a) to (d) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

सिक्योरिटी पेपर मिल, होशंगाबाद के उत्पादन में गिरावट

7780. श्री राघवजी : क्या वित्त मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) गत तीन वर्षों के दौरान मध्य प्रदेश में होशंगाबाद स्थित सिक्योरिटी पेपर मिल का उत्पादन कितना था;

(ख) क्या यह सच है कि इसके उत्पादन में निरन्तर गिरावट आ रही है, यदि हां, तो उसके क्या कारण है; और

(ग) उत्पादन में गिरावट को रोकने के लिए क्या कदम उठाये जाने का विचार है ?

वित्त मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री एम० वी० चन्द्रशेखर मूर्ति) (क) होशंगाबाद की सिक्योरिटी पेपर मिल में पिछले तीन वर्षों के दौरान पेपर का उत्पादन निम्नानुसार था :

1992–93	3332.32	मीट्रिक टन
1993–94	3934.92	मीट्रिक टन
1994–95	3824.07	मीट्रिक टन

(ख) और (ग) मिल के उत्पादन में कोई महत्वपूर्ण गिरावट नही आई है ।

Demands by peerless General Finance Investment Company Limited

7781. SHRIMATI MALTI SHARMA:
SHRI RAJ NATH SINGH:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Peerless General Finance and Investment Company Lmited has *inter-alia* been demanding certain relaxations in Income Tax, Life Insurance for its policy holders as are being provided to the policy holders of Life Insurance Company;

(b) if so, what are the details of its demands; and

(c) whether Government propose to provide equal level playing field to Peereless as done in favour of Life Insurance Company?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M. V. CHANDRASHEKARA MURTHY): (a) and (b) Reserve Bank of India (RBI) have reported that Peerless General Finance and Investment Company Limited (PGFI) has not made demands for its investors/policy holders as is being provided to the policy holders of the Life Insurance Corporation. However, the field functionaries of the PGFI wanted some relaxation in income-tax on the subscriptions made by the Company's certificate holders so as to give boost to marketability of its endowment certificates.

(c) RBI have reported that no such proposal is within their knowledge.

Misuse of house loan by employees of State Bank Group branches in Delhi

7782. SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that house loan facilities are being misused by the employees of the State Bank Group branches in Delhi;

(b) if so, the number of cases where loan has been misused by such employees which was sanctioned/availed of during June, 1992 to 30th June, 1994, Bank-wise;

(c) the names of such employees with ranks, Bank-wise; and

(d) the action taken by the Bank/Government against those who had misused the loan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M. V. CHANDRASHEKARA MURTHY): (a) to (d) Information is being collected and to the extent available, will be laid on the Table of the House.

Transfers/posting of Commissioners of I.T.

7783. SHRI PRAVAT KUMAR SAMANTARAY:
SHRI SOM PAL:
SHRI SARADA MOHANTY:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any guideline for transfers/postings of Assistant Commissioner/Deputy Commissioner and Commissioner of Income Tax;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether guidelines for transfers/postions of above said officers followed for officers posted in metropolitan cities like Bombay, Delhi, Madras are discriminatory for some officers;